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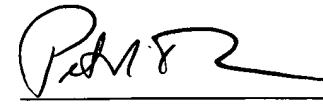
In response to the Office Action dated April 21, 2004, setting forth a requirement for restriction and in accordance with the provisions of 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.111 and 1.143, Applicants provisionally elect, with traverse, Group I, claim 9, drawn to a compound of formula (I) wherein R is a phenyl group or a cycloalkyl group, R2 is as defined, and R3 is an optionally substituted aryl or an arylalkyl group having from 1 to 4 carbon atoms within the alkyl chain.

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